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Federal Partnerships

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Operating Engineers National Hazmat Program (OENHP)

- Background

- Training Initiatives

- Environmental Protection Agency(EPA)
 - HAZWOPER
 - U. S. Department of Energy (DOE)
 - HAZWOPER
 - U. S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
 - WMD through NIEHS

Operating Engineers National Hazmat Program (OENHP)

- Cooperative Agreement Mission and Goals
 - Improve all aspects of safety and health for America's workers
 - To supply a more productive, profitable and safe workforce
- IUOE Membership
 - 240,000 Hoisting and Portable (Operating Engineers)
 - 120,00 Stationary Engineers

Partnerships

- Recognizing the critical role OE fulfills in emergency situations-WTC, Pentagon
- General President Frank Hanley in July 2002, established the IUOE Homeland Security Division and the National Emergency Response Center
- The program designed to prepare members as first responders in such emergencies
- Programs are located in IUOE's International Environmental Technology and Training Center in Beckley, WV

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

- Partnership for training
- Train the Trainer (T-t-T) approach
- Course structure
 - Prevention
 - Mitigation
 - Cleanup

DHS

- Prevention
 - Workers are part of the defense system
 - WMD training
 - Vulnerability/risk assessment
- Mitigation
 - Emergency response
 - Using facility systems (HVAC) to prevent damage
 - Crisis management
- Cleanup
 - Direct relation to HAZWOPER Training

Chemical Industry HS Training

- Addresses Chemical Industry
- Train-the-Trainer approach
- Feedback to course content

Mine Safety Health Administration (MSHA)

- Areas of Mutual Interest
 - Education and Training
 - Emergency Response Development
 - Outreach/communications
- Alliance for Collaboration to foster a culture of prevention and preparedness through:
 - Cross training in HAZWOPER for mine rescue personnel
 - Leveraging MSHA's Mine rescue model
 - Reaching out to Hispanic workforce
 - Cross training initiatives and resource utilization that are cost effective

Energy Assurance Technical Training and Awareness Program

- Energy Infrastructure Protection
- Designed for broad spectrum of workers including managers, facility operators, and plant workers
- Designed to supply a cadre of workers through training can be the first line of defense for protection
- Reaches out to local, state and federal participants including safety, law enforcement and emergency response personnel

Other Initiatives

- Human Factors Assessment Program
- Orange County Florida Sheriff's Association
- OSHA
- NIOSH
- West Virginia Army National Guard
- West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources

Questions for discussion

- How are partnerships developed? Are they planned based on needs evaluation?
- What mechanism is most useful in forming partnerships? Top down, bottom up?
- How can training content focus on prevention, rather than being reactive in nature?
- Who are the under represented populations requiring training, what about the public?

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